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NEWS OF OUR BOYS

It was announced in the news recently that PO. A. D. Glasgow of Irma had won the D.F.C. in service overseas.

Congratulations, Albert.

Delbert Coffin was honorably discharged from the Army on Jan 4th.

Again we have to report that one of our boys, Merlin Pendleton, husband of the former Helen Knu-dson has been killed in action in Italy after being twice wounded.

It has also been reported that Roy Pavely well known in the Albert district, has been killed in action.

Petty officer A.C. Mancor spent Christmas and New Year's with his wife and daughter at Irma.

L.A.C. W. Dunbar and Mrs. Dunbar were home for a part of the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Soneff were fortunate in having all three of their boys home for Christmas. Albert and James of the R.C.A.F. from southern Alberta and Manitoba and Tony from Vernon B.C. After the holidays Tony went East for further training.

L.A.C. Charlie Milne was home from the west Coast for Christmas with his wife and daughters.

L.A.C. R.H.L. Smith spent Christmas with his wife at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pyrc Jones.

L.A.C. Albert Jones visited his parents of the Albert district at Christmas time.

We take pleasure in announcing the arrival of a son to Lt. Don Savard and Mrs. Savard at an Edmonton hospital on Christmas eve. Don visited his parents at Irma at Christmas.

Edland Bick of Jarrow, a former student at the Irma High School has now been reported prisoner of war in Germany.

Frank Withall of the Veterans Guard was home at New Year's visiting his wife.

L.A.C. Melvin Knudson was home from Manitoba on New Year's leave.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MINBURN NO. 453

Public notice is hereby given that there has been introduced in the Council of the Municipal District of Minburn No. 453 the following by-law:

BY-LAW NO. 104, 1944

A BY-LAW PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE DOMESTIC ANIMALS ACT (Municipalities)

(Municipalities)

A by-law of the Municipal District of Minburn No. 453 for the governing of the running at large of domestic animals within the Municipality.

Under the authority and subject to the provisions of the Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities) the Council of the Municipal District of Minburn No. 453 enacts as follows:

That all domestic animals are prohibited from running at large within the Municipal District of Minburn at all times.

All existing Stock By-Laws of the former Municipal Districts of Buffalo Coulee No. 453 Lakeview

No. 454 Melberta No. 483, and Birch Lake No. 484 are hereby repealed.

And that a copy of the same may be seen in each of the following places:

Lezine Hall
Miroslawa Hall
Hillock Hall
Beatty School
Badger School
Mooreville School

Redino School
Eloimonton School
Bræs O'Banachie School

Hughes School
Ottawa School
Heatherhill School

Tankerton School
Albert School

Orbindale School

And further, that unless within this notice at least 15 percent thirty days from the publication of the proprietary electors of a Municipal District petition the Council shall submit such by-law to the vote of the proprietary electors of the Municipal District the Council will proceed to pass the same.

Secretary Treasurer
R.T. Dorward

PROVINCIAL RECONSTRUCTION SURVEY

At a special meeting of the Wainwright Board of Trade held in the council chambers on Monday, Jan. 8th a regional committee to take charge of the organization of the Wainwright region for the purpose of the post-war reconstruction survey which will commence on Mon. Jan. 15th was set up. Mr. C. Wilbraham acted as Chairman and Mr. P.M. Armstrong as secretary. Sub-committees were chosen as follows: Farm survey, Mr. D. Sutherland; Household survey, (War Services Committee to select); Business survey Mr. C. Stafford. It was decided to set up a sub-committee in Hardisty and contact was made by telephone.

A farm survey will be conducted in Irma, Jarrow, Phillips, Heath, and Butze. Full particular will be given in every weekly newspaper in the province and an intensive publicity campaign will be conducted over the air. Every citizen who can possibly do so is requested to co-operate in these surveys which are being conducted by the Provincial Post-war Reconstruction Committee with the Federal Dept. of Agriculture, Economics Branch co-operating. Mr. Acton of the Federal Dept. attended the meeting as did Mr. James Jackson of Irma to help in explaining the working of this survey.

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Memorial Service

Memorial service was held for Pte. Merlin Pendleton was held in Sharon Lutheran Church on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 31. Rev. Stobie, assisted by Rev. Longmire conducted the service. The flag-draped pulpit and memorial wreaths were a fitting tribute to the memory of one who has paid the supreme sacrifice.

Pte. M.W. Pendleton son of Mr. H.F. and the late Mrs. Pendleton of Lougheed, was born at Ponoka Alta. June 5, 1913, and was killed in action in Italy Dec. 1944.

On Oct. 15th, 1936 he married Helen Knudson daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Knudson of Irma. Merlin enlisted with the Edmonton Fusiliers Oct. 17th, 1940, and went overseas in Mar. 1943 with the Calgary Highlanders, later being transferred to the Royal Edmonton Reg., which is attached to the British 6th Army.

During his service he leaves to mourn his loss two sons Lloyd and Wayne, his father, H.F. Pendleton, one sister, Leola, and one brother, LaVerne.

Floral tributes were as follows: Helen and Wayne; Dad; Myrtle and LaVerne; Father; Mother; Merle and Melvin; Harry and Milt; Sharon Ladies Aid.

Gifts given in memory were: Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Reitan; Mr. and Mrs. H. Knudson; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Fluveog; Mr. and Mrs. L. Hollingden; Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Nelson; Mr. and Mrs. B. Gulbra; Mr. and Mrs. E.R. Erickson; and Carl Gulbra; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pedel; Mr. and Mrs. O. Lilkness; Mr. D. Likness; Mr. and Mrs. J. Halvorsen; Mr. and Mrs. F.A. Fudger; Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Carter; Mr. and Mrs. R. McFarland; Mr. and Mrs. H. Fudger and family; Mr. and Mrs. L. Satre and family; Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Stobie; Mr. and Mrs. O. Steffensen and girls.

A Clean Up day at the cemetery was held in May.

The Conference was held in June at Bruce. Mrs. J. Rae was the delegate and Mrs. E. Rae took charge of our exhibit.

July is when the Grandparents' Day is usually held but owing to severe rains no meeting was held.

In August 10.00 was sent to the Salvation Army. Eight pounds of donated leather was sent to the Navy League; a parcel of clothing was sent to an eight year old Greek refugee girl.

Lunch was can. W. A. when the Rev. Watts spoke on "Missions in Japan and Our Responsibilities Towards This Nation in Post War Years."

In September 3.00 was sent to the "Flood Victims Fund."

Lunch was served at an auction.

In October 34.65 plus a 5.00 donation was sent to the "Jamboree Fund."

Eight dirty bags were packed by the local 18 being sent altogether.

In November the annual bazaar and tea was held.

Each month a 4.00 war savings certificate was purchased.

Each departing member was remembered with a gift.

Flowers and fruit were sent to ill members.

Cards of sympathy sent to bereaved members.

The knitting done for the exhibit was sent to sailors in dirty bogs.

Vera L. Ott, Secretary.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincerest thanks to all those who helped in anyway in our time of sorrow.

Helen Pendleton and Wayne.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to extend my sincere thanks for the lovely letters, cards, fruit and flowers sent to me during my illness in the hospital.—Sincerely, Mrs. F. P. Darling.

My purchases of equipment, what various types of equipment will be sought and how all this will be financed.

Each set of questions on each questionnaire is a cross-check on answers given to other questions. For instance: The committee can judge fairly accurately whether or not a farmer's equipment purchasing plan will work out by comparing his plans with his present financial standing and what he has tucked away in Victory Bonds and other savings.

In this way the survey management hopes to gain a mass of information not only useful for post-war plans but also information that will be thoroughly correct. If it is accurate, then the committee can accurately assess Alberta's post-war future by compiling details of the survey.

Detailed instructions have been given to each volunteer canvasser on their post-war plans for their farm expansion and for a listing of the post-war plans of other members of his family. They will be requested for detailed facts on present farm equipment and on that they hope to obtain in the immediate post-war years. Their planned financing of this also will be asked.

Alberta business men, both large and small, will be asked for the most detailed questions. The survey seeks to learn salary schedules paid, number of employees, number of servicemen employees returning, what type of employment can be offered disabled veterans and the number of additional skilled workers required to operate the business at full capacity.

Other questions to the business men will seek out their planned business expansions after the war and if it involves new buildings or extensions to other plants. Other general questions deal with pla-

IRMA WOMEN'S INSTITUTE SECRETARY'S 1944 REPORT

President, Mrs. E. Sanders.
1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. B. Long.
2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. F. Thurs-

Treasurer, Mrs. R. Larson.
Secretary, Mrs. R. Ott.

Directors—Mrs. McLean, Mrs. McFarland, Mrs. Arnold.

Sick Committee—Mrs. McFar-

land, Mrs. McLean.

Program Committee—Mrs. En-

ger, Mrs. E. Rae.

Sewing Committee—Mrs. Stoc-

kton, Mrs. Hlynka, Mrs. Stewart.

Eleven meetings were held, the July meeting being "rained out."

There are 24 paid up members.

Average attendance being 13 members and four visitors.

No new members were added to the roll two names were taken off,

these members moving away.

At Christmas time 1943, 9 shut-ins

were remembered with boxes of fruit and candy. All ex-members

were sent Christmas cards.

In February the members were

divided into groups of four, each group making a quilt for the Merchant Navy; \$5.00 was to F.

W. I. birthday gift fund.

Secretary, Mrs. Alma Enger.

Treas., Mrs. M. Arnold.

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ings held during the year with an average attendance of 8.88

and 3.66 visitors. We have 16 paid-up members, nine of which are active.

There were three special meet-

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forward and launch out into the deep."

The second special meeting took the form of an Easter pageant, "The Unshadowed Cross."

The choir, C.G.I.T. and Mission Band assisted at this meeting.

The third special meeting was a joint meeting with the Anglo-Greek refugee girl.

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A Tea was held at the Mansfield.

It was a success and Fund.

Eight dirty bags were added to our "Special Funds."

The May and June meetings took the form of quilting bees and when our quilts for allocation were done. We carried on our regular meeting around the quilt.

The book "A Shepherd Remembers" by Leslie Weatherhead was studied during the year. This was a study of the 23rd Psalm.

The book "West of the Date Line" is the book being studied at present.

We undertook a course of Missionary Education to be given in the Sunday schools.

One meeting was devoted to Temperance Study.

A round robin letter was sent to interested members who have moved away.

During the year we lost one member due to removal.

Sixty-two Christmas cards were sent to our local boys and girls in the forces—Alma G. Enger, Secretary of W. M. S.

At the Churches

UNITED CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, January 7th

Irma: Sunday school 11 A. M.

Public worship 7.30 P. M.

A hearty invitation to all.

CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Irma: Tabernacle:

Sunday school 3.15 P. M.

Gospel Service 3.30 P. M.

Hardisty, Oddfellow's Hall:

Gospel Service 8 P. M.

A hearty welcome to all.

"Search the scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of Me, and ye will not come to Me, that ye might have life."

John 5:39, 40.

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR IRMA W. M. S. FOR 1944

Officers for the year were:

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APPLES IN LAKE

Kelowna, B.C. Two hundred

red tons of apples from the Kelowna crop this year are in storage

in Okanagan Lake. The Canadian National Railways granted permission to the B.C. Tree Fruits Ltd.

for the experiment in effort to save apples which otherwise would rapidly deteriorate due to shortage of storage space.

Herring net, 600 feet of it, is attached to pier piles and weighed with lead. The net lies at a depth of ten feet and covers the area around the pier.

Culls, or low grade apples are being used and if they are saved

for dehydration and other by-products if the experiment is unsuccessful the loss will be negligible.

Revolving belts will go down into the water corral, pick up apples and bring them into receptacles

on the pier when required.

If you use slip covers, be sure

to turn them inside out and brush

them thoroughly once a month.

Moth compounds applied to furniture covers are of value only if the covers are thoroughly saturated.

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A DUTCH TANKER**Had An Interesting Experience With Japanese Raiders**

A Dutch tanker that was "sunk" by the Japanese several years ago was the first to enter the liberated port of Antwerp.

In November, 1942, a 6,000-ton Dutch tanker, the "Ondina," was steaming through the Indian Ocean, accompanied by a British mine-sweeper, when the ships were attacked by two well-armed Japanese raiders. Although provided with only one gun, the "Ondina" sailed right into the enemy ship which carried two "pans" and were armed with torpedoes as well as several five-inch guns.

One Japanese ship was hit and sunk. But the other placed a direct hit on the "Ondina". The tanker was set afire and the crew was forced to abandon the ship. After amusing themselves for some time machine-gunning the lifeboats, the Japanese steamed away. Immediately the crew returned to the "Ondina," succeeded in putting out the fire and brought her safely into the nearest Allied port.

On December 12, when the port of Antwerp was opened for Allied shipping, the "Ondina" had the honor of being the first tanker to bring in a cargo of much needed gasoline for the Allied troops near Aachen. Netherlands News Service.

Interesting Facts**Some Things About Britain People May Not Know**

That approximately four-fifths of all Allied guns blasting the Germans out of Italy are British. According to information so far released there are 39 United Kingdom artillery regiments in Italy, two United States artillery battalions, five Canadian regiments and one Newfoundland regiment.

That the self-heating soup container invented by United Kingdom scientists and manufactured in Britain is now supplied in millions to both British and United States forces. It has already saved countless Allied lives on the land fronts and at sea.

That the United Steel Corporation, Sheffield, England, has launched a scheme to train 1,000 men returning from the services for key jobs after the war. The men will be selected by a special committee purely on aptitude and irrespective of what they were doing before their call-up. They will then be sent to a so-called "industrial officers' training corps" for a year's special training for administrative and executive posts.

Powerful Microscope**Is Capable Of Magnification Up To 45,000 Times**

An electron microscope, capable of magnification up to 45,000 times, will arrive from the United States soon, and will be set up in the physics building at McGill University, it was announced at the university.

The only instrument of this type in Canada at present, is at the University of Toronto, where it was built several years ago under the direction of Prof. E. F. Burton, head of the physics department at the University of Toronto.

Study of finely-divided particles, such as disease bacteria and viruses, will be made possible by the new instrument.

Street Scene In Saarlautein

An LVT (landing vehicle, tank) moves down a street in otherwise peaceful Saarlautein shortly after the Saar river city was taken by the Allies. The LVT's, used with success in the Pacific operations, are now in the European theatre.

Settled For Winter**Germans Are Very Cosy And Comfortable Inside Dunkerque Fortress**

Doc Campbell, Reuter war correspondent, says Dunkerque has settled in for the winter. It may not be avenged now until the end of the war.

Nothing decisive is happening at the moment in this bleak, desolate, almost-forgotten corner of France. Inside the port the Germans are cozy. Outside, British troops are drawing lots for "blighty" leave.

It is more than two months since I saw a procession of people with their sheep and cows quit this coastal fortress.

It might have been another Calais but Capt. Scheinder, naval commander of the 15,000-strong German garrison is made of tougher stuff.

The besieging forces have been firing shells into Dunkerque for weeks. An occasional prisoner is taken and odd deserters, but nothing extensive is being done to wipe out the memory of 1940, when the British expeditionary force withdrew by sea after being bottled up at Dunkerque by the Germans.

The Germans are in the town's best billets, with food, wireless sets and reading matter.

It is a crazy fantastic deadened sort of war here. The Germans cannot use the port, and a major offensive to capture it would afford little strategic advantage. But a force must be maintained there to contain the Germans, who are in no hurry to do anything.

Mining In North**Rapid Development Is Expected Through Air Transport**

Mining men working in the far north of Canada are optimistic about the rapid post-war development of this area through the medium of air transport.

Already in active operation as an air route from the United States and Canada to the Soviet Union by way of Alaska is a chain of new air routes north and west from Edmonton to Whitehorse in the Yukon and then to Fairbanks and Nome in Alaska.

Through traffic on this route at present is entirely military and diplomatic, but the Alaska Highway follows the air route and the two methods of transportation, ground and air, are expected to be of primary importance in the development of both the Canadian Yukon and Alaska.

Robot Bombing**Deadly Missiles Will Prove A Menace In The Future**

Within 10 or 20 years, robot bombing is "almost certain" to befall the United States and all other countries unless an efficient peace organization is established, State Secretary Stettinius said.

Writing in the Kiwanis magazine, Mr. Stettinius said the Dumbarston Oaks proposals are important because they point the alternative "to unspeakable disaster."

"Let no one forget that the robot bomb and the rocket are still in their infancy, at a stage comparable to the stage of development which aviation reached at Kitty Hawk in 1903... these deadly missiles can be perfect to the point where they can travel thousands of miles at incredible speed."

British Nurses Get Autograph

Leaving a British military hospital on the western front after chatting with the patients, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme Allied commander, cheerfully gives his autograph to a group of British nurses.

The Real Objective**Good Understanding Among The Nations Is Necessary**

There will never be perfect worldwide harmony in every detail of international policy. It is too much to hope for, even too much to wish for, Americans, British, Russians, French, Chinese—we shall all try each other's patience in years to come. We shall never speak a wholly common language. Civilization will be the richer because we do not.

All that a good understanding now among the United Nations can do and all that a world organization can do is to prevent the inevitable frictions from being destructive. And this is sufficient. We are not fighting to outlaw economic competition. We are not fighting to impose identical social systems on all nations. We are fighting to put an end to aggressive warfare, which means all warfare.

But there is and can be no disagreement among the United Nations as to the absolute necessity of decisive victory in this war and the absolute necessity of sufficient mutual tolerance and a sufficiently strong world organization to make another war impossible—New York Times.

Millions Every Year**Lost By Department Stores In United States Through Shoplifting**

Shoplifters, 85 per cent of whom are women, make away with \$80,000,000 worth of goods a year in the United States, a professional department store detective said in a magazine article.

The "spotter" said many of the petty thieves were war workers building a nest egg for postwar plans, others were thrill seekers, and others were socially prominent women covering up bridge debts. Only three per cent of the shoplifters were said to be kleptomaniacs.

According to the article, an average size store in a large city loses between \$7,000 and \$80,000 annually, and since the war, the shortage of trained help has made the shoplifting easier.

The Elephant's Memory**Shows Gratitude For Favors Shown Many Years Before**

An authority on elephants has announced that there is no foundation for the popular belief that an elephant has a long memory. How, then, are we to explain the occurrence at the Cheltenham Circus, when the elephant paused in the ring, stared at a retired colonel of the Indian Army, and then lifted the impoverished soldier with his trunk clean out of the sixpences into the three-and-four-pennies?

Come, come. Was this coincidence? No. It was gratitude for a favor shown many years before at a party given by a Maharajah—London Express.

QUESTION FOR DAD

"Dad, how can guns kick when they have no legs?" asked Bertie.

"Don't ask absurd questions," said his father.

"Guns haven't any legs, have they, dad?"

"Certainly not!"

"Well, then, what's the use of their having breeches?"

More than 300 wells are operating on a recently discovered oilfield in Britain.

Might Get Action**Little Evacuee From London Possibly Helped Out British Lord**

"During the evacuation of children from London, all types of children were hustled out of the big city," Dr. George Buchan, Medical Health Officer for Willesden, London, England, relates. Some went to cottages and some to castles, regardless of whether the kiddies came from London's east or west end. One of these homeless children was sent to a castle. He was put to bed by a valet, after having been washed, and the same procedure of washing went on the next morning. Finally he was taken down to the long breakfast table. At one end sat his lordship immersed in his newspaper, at the other end of the long table his ladyship presided. After waiting while the butler put down a fork, then a spoon, then a knife, napkin, the east end kiddie became annoyed. "When do I get my breakfast?" he demanded bawling his small fist on the polished oak table. His lordship looked up from his paper, slowly rose and came around to the now frightened youngster. Leaning over him, patting his back in encouragement, he said: "Congratulations, son, I've been trying to get up nerve to ask that for the past 30 years!"—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

The "Flying Bazookas," as they are known, have already caused havoc to enemy installation. They are fired with a trigger set in the fighter's control stick and can be fired in salvoes or one at a time.

"Canadian wastepaper may not be used for 'Flying Bazookas' as yet, but its uses are just as vital," reports the National Salvage Division.

Best In The World**Priest In North Has High Opinion Of Eskimo Morals**

After nearly three years amongst the Eskimos in Canada's Northwest Territories, Rev. Robert J. Biasioli, 30-year-old Roman Catholic priest, is convinced that "morally, the Eskimo is the best in the world."

The tall thin priest, member of the Oblate Order, believes that the full-blooded Eskimo fundamentally is honest, truthful and law-abiding, and when converted, practises his religion faithfully. He is degraded to a great extent, however, by association with the white man outside.

"The Eskimo doesn't know what a lie is," Father Biasioli says. "He would never take anything that didn't belong to him." He is obedient and respects the orders of the tribe leaders, the eldest persons to the last letter."

Native of San Antonio, Texas, Father Biasioli was ordained in 1938 and given a choice of going to the Philippines or the Northwest Territories, chose to live among the Eskimos. He now is chaplain with the rank of captain, serving out-of-the-way bases of the Alaskan division, United States army air forces.

One characteristic the young priest couldn't solve was the Eskimo's sense of humor. "They are always laughing and they think it's a huge joke when a fellow Eskimo falls on his head or loses his trap lines. A misfortune to them is funny."

Made Of Paper**Used For Construction Of Barrels For Rocket Guns**

The Canadian boys who used to fashion paper wads for their sling shots, if teacher didn't catch them, are fighting men now, but they still want paper. But now they don't want it as ammunition but as guns. Incredible as it may seem, paper is used in the construction of barrels for rocket guns and fighter planes. It is treated with heat-resistant plastic and thousands of these weapons have been turned out by plants south of the border. There resin-impregnated tubes are hardened in ovens, painted and assembled in clusters of three for mounting under plane wings.

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A Modern Disease**Everything Artificial Is Taking Place Of Human Values**

Urbanitis is a dimly recognized disease, which appears to be threatening the world little by little by the metamorphosis of natural human values into mechanical and artificial ones. Thus jazz becomes music, blubs become art, bosh becomes poetry and walking two blocks is called exercise. In some lands, the disease has spread far. Night has become day, noise has replaced silence and billboards exhort humanity to do everything under the sun except think. Yet, only by thinking and reflection can the human animal ever raise himself one further degree above the brutes; one degree that is, above self-destruction.—Victoria Colonist.

I have seen them carry huge copper water containers, clothe baskets full of grapes, tables loaded with furniture, and what not, but Gunner L. Stanhope of Lindsay, whose parents reside in Toronto, goes one better. He witnessed an Italian family moving from their house. The two men placed a sewing machine on top of the woman's head, then loaded in a large bag of grain, plus other household effects. All three walked away; the men carrying an umbrella.

And the strange thing about these stories—they are true.

Fish is leading source of iodine among natural foods.

NORTHERN ALBERTA**Want Experimental Station To Investigate Farming Possibilities**

At its recent convention here, the Alberta Federation of Agriculture passed a recommendation that the Dominion Government establish an experimental station to investigate the "grey soil" belt of northern Alberta.

This suggestion seems a sound one. The "grey wood" soil covers some thirteen million acres, and includes one-third of the unoccupied land of the province. It had always been considered poor farming soil, and experience has shown that grain cannot be successfully grown on it. It has, however, produced some excellent seed crops. A thorough investigation might reveal unexpected uses which it could be put.

With most of the first-class farms lands now under occupation, it is evident that any future expansion of agriculture and settlement must largely depend on the development of the grey soil belt. A comprehensive program of research into the possibilities of this area would be money well spent.—Calgary Albertan.

Canadian Nickel**Goes Into Tanks, Planes And Guns In Russia**

According to one well-known Canadian journalist, one of the best ambassadors Canada has in Russia, is nickel.

Canadian nickel goes into Russian tanks, planes and guns in the form of stainless steel alloys and nickel chrome steel. A director of a large war plant receiving Canadian nickel told this journalist when he visited the plant that the metal is clean, has a small percentage of impurities and is packed so well that it is used as an example to all Russian industry.

Flour, too, is a diplomat. In the Moscow Military Hospital, wounded servicemen are fed products made from Canadian flour. The Commanding officer of the hospital told this journalist that "Canadian flour is doing good work for us. We use it to return our men to health. It bakes well. It looks good."

Stories Are True**About Loads Italian Peasant Women Carry On Their Heads**

Major Bert S. Wemp, the Toronto Telegram's correspondent in Italy, writes:

When the Canadians return from Italy and the Mediterranean, they'll have a thousand and one stories to tell. One will be the biggest load ever seen on an Italian peasant woman's head, which may explain the picture of Atlas with the world balanced on his.

I have seen them carry huge copper water containers, clothe baskets full of grapes, tables loaded with furniture, and what not, but Gunner L. Stanhope of Lindsay, whose parents reside in Toronto, goes one better. He witnessed an Italian family moving from their house. The two men placed a sewing machine on top of the woman's head, then loaded in a large bag of grain, plus other household effects. All three walked away; the men carrying an umbrella.

And the strange thing about these stories—they are true.

Touch Of Humor—Front Line

Here is one of the humorous road signs that were erected near the fighting front in Holland, giving many an Allied soldier a laugh as he passed along on their way into action. This sign is near the sector recently captured by Canadian forces.

ALBERTA PROVINCIAL

OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

The Siamese Rickshaw

By GEORGE CHERNISH
McClure Newspaper Syndicate

MAKES GORGEOUS TASTY BREAD—NO COARSE HOLES, NO DOUGHY LUMPS

ROYAL YEAST CAKES
PERFECT BREAD
MADE IN CANADA

Airtight wrapper protects strength and purity
ALWAYS DEPENDABLE!

MISERIES OF Baby's Cold Relieved As He Sleeps**Baby's Cold Relieved As He Sleeps**

I pushed open the door marked "War Department" and found Jim Saylor, my chief, staring moodily out a window. He swung around when I entered. "It's a little job for you," he said. "It's unusual, but I think it's worth a try. Remember that Chinese crank who used to pester us?"

I nodded. The chief was referring to an old Chinaman named Tai-Lin, who had besieged Washington officials for years with scatterbrain inventions.

"He went mad the other day," Saylor continued. "They put him in an asylum, but he's still frothing about a secret explosive. Claims he's discovered a powder ten times more potent than the best in existence."

I laughed. "No wonder they locked him up."

Saylor frowned. "He's really off his head, but I'm inclined to nibble at that explosive yarn. I know it sounds foolish, Jordan, but in these times of stress we can't take many chances. Suppose there is such a formula? And suppose an enemy agent got wind of it?"

"I agree with you there, chief," I said.

"Unlike most of his race," Saylor went on, "Tai-Lin lived alone in an old stone house in Shepherd's Marsh." He paused for a moment, his gray eyes regarding me keenly. "I want you to take Pickering and search that house from top to bottom. Keep your eye out for old papers, or a blueprint."

"OK," I said shortly. "We'll leave it once."

Pickering was more enthusiastic about the assignment than I was. But he was still a little green, and didn't know cranks as a veteran does.

It took us three hours to drive out to the old Chinaman's dwelling. Made entirely of stone, it lay at the edge of a huge half-frozen marsh. There was no bush nor brush of any kind, for miles around. We went inside and kindled a blaze in the old fireplace, for it was cold out here at this time of year.

All that afternoon we searched, but there were very few possible hiding places for a blueprint. Gradually I grew disgusted with the job. And then I came across the rickshaw—an ancient, wobbly affair, it stood in one corner of the attic, covered with cobwebs. Vaguely I recalled something about Tai-Lin's importing it from Siam, where his grandfather had hauled it through the streets of Bangkok for his daily bread.

As I stooped over to examine it, Pickering's voice bellowed from below: "Hey! Tom! I've found it! The blueprint!"

I tore out of that attic like a typhoon. Pickering was standing in front of the fireplace, his lips moving silently as he peered at rows of Chinese brush figures. "It was stuck in a crack," he told me breathlessly, "below one of the window sills. We'll need a translator to decipher it."

I nodded and said, "We're not sure this is it, though. You'd better stay here and keep on searching while I take it into town."

He scowled a little. "Step on it, we're almost out of wood, and it's getting colder every minute . . ."

The big clock atop the city hall was striking ten in the evening as I pulled a stop before my chief's residence.

He was more enthusiastic than I when I showed him the blueprint.

"Come on!" he cried, grabbing his hat and coat. "We'll get Yan-Po out of bed!"

It wasn't necessary, however, to get Yan-Po out of bed. The young Chinaman was seated in his hotel room, poring over a map of the Philippines. He was one of the many translators in the employ of Uncle Sam.

I stiffened as Yan-Po said, "From my knowledge of explosives, I would say that this is a most powerful formula, indeed. It mentions here a duplicate of this print contained in the shaft of a rickshaw."

"It's in the attic of the old house," I told them. "I was looking it over when Pickering found this."

Then things really started. The door swung open and three men hurried themselves upon us. Simultaneously, four more came leaping through the windows. I had the presence of mind to grab the print and rip it to bits. I flung the pieces out a window before they finally overpowered me.

Their leader, a tall fellow with a foreign accent, ordered us bound and

now . . . here's reliable home-proved medication that works 3 days at once to relieve distress of cold—when he sleeps!"

Just as I was about to turn back with Vicka VapoRub at bedtime, instantly VapoRub starts to relax the aching spine, ease muscular soreness, tighten, and invite restful, comforting sleep. Often by morning, most of the misery is gone.

For night, try VapoRub tonight. It won't be good, because mothers still most mothers use Vicka VapoRub.

gagged. "Very careless of you," he told me. "First, you allow yourself to be followed, and now you destroy a formula whose duplicate we can easily reach. To the rickshaw men!" he barked. In a moment they were gone.

Shortly after dawn, a bellhop came in to investigate the unanswered ringing of our telephone. Within ten minutes we had a dragnet under way, but all of us viewed the situation as hopeless. It required only three hours to reach Tai-Lin's country home, and five had elapsed since the foreign agents had left. I shuddered as I remembered Pickering. One against nine.

Yan-Po was sorrowful. I can remember the formula," he told us, "but how much better it would have been to keep it to ourselves!"

"Yes," our chief said. "I guess we can all kiss our jobs good-bye."

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Among many shorter offerings was a unique novella, "Jeux de Plein Air," by Germaine Taillefer, identified with the group of modern French composers known as "The Six," which also included Milhaud, Honegger and Poulenc. It describes two games, "La Tirelentaine," an ancient Breton sport, and "Cache-Cache Mitoula" (hide-and-seek). Modern French music figured largely on the program, one of the suite of three caprices in Debussy's little-known "En Blanc et Noir"; "The Top," by Jean Baptiste Ouvrerry, who composed several hundred light piano pieces. Milhaud's "Braziliera," and Ravel's "Emperor of the Pagodas". The light, sure, playful quality of these interpretations was fascinating. Another gem was Thiman's arrangement of the milkmaids' folk song, "Sussex Milk Maids."

Two seasons ago Bartlett and Robins introduced to Toronto an arrangement of the Scottish "Kee Row," by a gifted young Saskatchewan composer, Thomas Austen. This brisk and infectious arrangement was originally composed for the first Chicago appearance of Eby and Bedford, and is dedicated to them. They rendered it with joyous abandon. In truth, one could not imagine a more stimulating program.—Toronto Globe and Mail.

This Week's Pattern



By ANNE ADAMS

Your little "charmer" will love this charming outfit! Pattern 4703 is a 2-piece dress suit with jumper with blouse. Flower applique.

Pattern 4703 comes in sizes 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10. Size 6, jumper and jacket, 1½ yards, 54-inch fabric; blouse, 7¾ yards, 54-inch fabric.

Send twenty cents (20c) in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) for this pattern. Write plainly Name, Address and Style Number and send to Anne Adams, Experimental Farm Show Dept., Winnipeg, Manitoba, 176 McDermot Ave., E. Winnipeg Man.

"Because of the slowness of the mail delivery of our patterns may take a few days longer than usual."

A BIRD'S APPETITE

"Eating like a bird" is a phrase often used to describe persons of delicate appetite, but according to zoo keepers, birds eat more in proportion to their weight than any other of the zoo inhabitants.

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Western Artists

Saskatoon's Two-Piano Team Thrills

Musical Audience in Toronto

(By Hector Charlesworth)

A two-piano team of the first rank,

new to the local public, was heard at

Eaton Auditorium recently, and

roused the sincere enthusiasm of a

very musical audience. Rumors have

been reaching Eastern musical circles

of the remarkable achievements of

two natives of Saskatoon, Evelyn Eby

and Reginald Bedford, whose concert

had won favor in both the Canadian

and American West, and had been

lavishly praised in Chicago. They

are pupils of a Mr. Gustaf of Sas-

katoon, a veteran teacher who has

done much for musical progress in

Saskatchewan. They played together

as children, and subsequently Miss

Eby studied with the great pianist,

Josef Lhevinne, and Mr. Bedford with

Percy Grainger.

Mr. Bedford was recently appointed

principal of the Hamilton Conserva-

tory of Music, and Miss Eby has

joined its staff, in order that they

might continue their concert work to-

gether. A number of Hamiltonians

came for their Toronto debut.

Both artists possess large and beau-

tiful tone, and are completely versed

in the resources of finger technique.

In addition, they are profoundly

musical in their intuitions. Their co-

ordination is perfect in spirit and

fineness. With them the musical line

is never broken for the infinitesimal

part of a second; and their fervor

and enthusiasm rouse delight.

Certain numbers on the program

called for deep interpretive feeling

and virtuosic accomplishment. One

was Brahms' "Variations on a Hydne

Theme," of which the composer made

both an orchestral and two-piano ver-

sion. The theme itself is one of the

noblest conceivable, and on it Brahms

based a set of eight superb and en-

thralling variations. Every measure

was beautifully and thoroughly pre-

sented, and there was orchestral gran-

deur in the dexterous handling of the

orchestra.

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However, the report added that most municipal doctors are underpaid and overburdened with work. As a result they had to accumulate contracts and engage in private practice in order to make a decent living.

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MACDONALD'S BRIER
Canada's Standard Smoke

Inflation In Poland

Yard Of Cloth Worth About Two Thousand Dollars

For a yard of cloth in Poland today a farmer would have to give about \$15,000 pounds of potatoes. If he had the money to pay in cash for the cloth, he would need two thousand one dollar bills. This is inflation.

But in many cases the farmer can't get the cloth at all because his potato crop has been requisitioned by the Nazis. Or the man in the city may not have any cloth to exchange because the Nazis have taken it away again, the coming of winter. So the price of the neighbours' potatoes goes higher and the list of the hungry and cold lengthens as the list of supplies shortens. This is war-inflated inflation.

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Viking Items

On January 4th a carload of hogs will be shipped from Viking to a designated packing plant by the Dominion Livestock Branch. All the hogs will be slaughtered and graded, then representative grades will be taken out, boxed and shipped back to Viking.

These carcasses will show the original tattoo marks of each farmer. These carcasses will be hung on the rail in the Elks hall on January 17th where the reasons for grading will be explained by the Livestock field men.

There will be exhibits of pig brooders and self feeders for the visitors. A colored talkie film will be shown on production of bacon hogs. This was a popular demonstration at other centres in the province and it is hoped that it will be just as great a success here.

Farmers should attend this demonstration and receive any benefit that may occur.

Ac2 Mavnard Runyon was up from Dauphin Man., for the holidays

Ac1 J.L. Kyle of Watson Lake spent the holidays with friends in town.

Pilot officer Doug Darragh is enjoying the holidays at home, also doing a spot of curling.

L.A.C. Jack Kelly was up from Brandon for turkey dinner and a holiday at home.

The Navy has been represented by Len Peterson who is on shore leave for a number of days.

Ptes Bill Ravan and Bob Thunell of Currie Barracks enjoyed New Years at home.

Carl Hafso was home from his duties in the air force for the New Year.

Flying officer Frank Finn was home for the Christmas festivities.

Pte Jack Lawes has returned to his duties in the Army after enjoining the holiday here.

Many other service men were in the district whose names we have been unable to record.

The New Year was given a real welcome here by hundreds who crowded the Elks hall on Monday evening. Prettily decorated with streamers and other holiday decorations the hall presented a most pleasing picture. The Viking Jives and an old time orchestra kept the large crowd in a happy mood.

SL Mackey held the lucky ticket on the turkey. The winner of the ten dollar door prize is still being sought, the lucky number being 120. So if you hold ticket No 120 you can still claim the door prize. The Ladies of St. Mary's hope some one has the lucky ticket.

When school reopened in the Fall difficulty was experienced in getting someone to put the school in order. Accordingly a number of residents of the district consisting of Mr. and Mrs. John Child, Mr. Bird and Clarence and Mrs. Howell Wadley undertook to do the necessary cleaning and varnishing. Payment for the work amounting to twenty dollars has now been received from the Secretary of the School Division. This has been used for the purpose mens pyjamas which have been turned in to the Local Branch of the Red Cross.

On January 14th, the Alberta temperance forces are holding special meetings in Viking. Rev. Hollingsworth will speak in the Lutheran church in the morning and at the United Church in the evening.

Henry Ovens, deputy reeve of M.D. of Beaver was in town on Monday on municipal business. Mr. Ovens returned recently from a visit to his old stamping grounds in Ontario but he said the faces and places didn't look the same after an absence of twenty odd years. Had a good time though he said.

The curlers got away to a good start just before Christmas. The ice looks better than it ever did. Fred Kelly is the new caretaker. The skating rink is now in use by the youngsters.

Mr. H.A. Meredith has arrived home from Edmonton this week where he underwent medical treatment at the University hospital. He is confined to his home but is improving in health; we are pleased to report.

LAC L. MacIntyre, Mrs. MacIntyre and baby son, of Medicine Hat were holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Anderson. While here their young son was christened (Robert Lawrence) the ceremony being performed by Rev. Mr. C.R. Wragg.

On December 29th, at about five o'clock in the afternoon, a quiet but pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H.

Stone, Red Deer, Alberta. Under a canopy of Christmas decorations, Mary Hagman, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Riddick, of Viking, was united in marriage to James, third son of Mrs. Jeanie Rae, of Lethbridge, Rev. Gardener officiating.

The bride chose a charming two-piece dress of Alice blue with black accessories. A blue feather hat completed the bride's ensemble. She wore a corsage of pink and white carnations. The bride was attended by her sister Jean. The bridesmaid was dressed in a two-piece dress with black accessories, and a corsage of yellow and white carnations. The groom's brother John was best man.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Perry Dillane, of Chula Vista, announced the engagement of their daughter, Karen, to Pvt. Eugene Goeb, U.S.M.C.R., son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Goeb is taking a Navy V-12 engineering course at Purdue university, Lafayette, Ind., having served overseas previously. No wedding date has been set.

The betrothal was revealed first at a dinner given recently by Mr. and Mrs. Goeb at the Schoedler hotel, Milwaukee, while Miss Dillane was visiting them there. She will arrive here today and the news will be told to her friends at a buffet supper to be given tonight in the Dillane home, 209 D st. Chula Vista. Twenty guests will be entertained. They will embroider their names on tea towels for the bride-elect.

Miss Dillane also has been visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Malcolm Loesch, of Melbourne, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Prather, of Kansas City, Kan.—The Tribune Sun, San Diego, Cal. Nov. 30th, 1944.

Miss Naslund has accepted a position in the local branch of the Bank of Montreal.

Mr. E.A. Colbert, senior fieldman for the Dominion Live Stock branch, and A.J.C. Charnecki from the Livestock branch of the Alberta department of agriculture will be the speakers at the Bacon Show to be held in Viking on Saturday, January 17th.

Goo, A. Londen spent Christmas and New Years with relatives and friends at Red Deer and Ryley.

Clem Loughlin and Sandy Ross were members of the Squib Williamson rink that played in the Travellers bonspiel held in Ed-26 and lasting for three days. They got close to the jewelry but not close enough to bring any home, but report a good time was had by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hoskins were over from Vermilion for the New Years dance here. They haven't missed one for years.

Students home from school for the holidays were John Lefsrud, Margaret Finn, and Dorothy Louglin.

Miss Doris Wick spent New Years at home from her duties in Edmonton.

Holdenites noticed at the New Years dance here were Mr. and Mrs. V.H. Nelson, Miss Black and others.

The dining of the Viking hotel was reopened during the Holidays with Mrs. V. McLeod in charge. This was welcome news for local people as well as the travelling public.

The Ladies Curling Club met this week and held their meeting. Reports were given and considered satisfactory. The next officers were elected: President, Mrs. J.L. Slavik; vice-president, Mrs. H.G. Thunell; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. G.T. Loney.

Mrs. Elizabeth Christina Mills passed to the great beyond on December 23rd, 1944, at the age of 44 years and three months.

Funeral services were conducted at the Viking United church by the pastor, Rev. C.R. Wragg. Mr. H.W.K. Hilliker presided at the organ. Appropriate hymns were sung by the congregation of relatives and visitors who came to pay their last respects to the deceased.

The pall bearers were Messrs. R.R. Brickman, L. Barbovich, E. Evans, T. Harry, D. Henderson and H. Jorgenson.

The late Mrs. Mills was born in September 12th, 1900, at Belmont, Manitoba, and moved with her family to the Killiam district in 1907. She was united in marriage to the late Ernest George Mills of Killiam on December 19th, 1923. In 1930 they moved to the Phillips district.

Left to mourn her loss are her loving family of four daughters, Dorothy, Ella, Elsie, Maureen, and a son Ernest; also three sisters, Mrs. Wm. Mills, Edmonton; Mrs. M.F. Gray, Viking; Mrs. J.L. Mills Redwater, and a brother, Mr. Wm. Maxwell, of Viking.

From this district attended mid-night frolics at Sedgewick, Holden and Ryley.

World of Wheat

By H. G. L. Strange

Registered Seed—What Is It?

Many people are puzzled by the words "Registered Seed." What does it mean?" they ask.

Let us take an example. Canadian wheat is the highest quality wheat in the world. This high quality does not come from the soil and climate of our prairies alone, but is mainly the result of high milling and baking values that have been bred into certain varieties. It is obvious, therefore, that a crop of wheat consists of one or the other of these good varieties. The registered tag on a sack guarantees that the seed is really of the good variety indicated and that it does not contain mixtures of other varieties. When a farmer sows registered seed, therefore, he is assured that he will produce a crop of wheat that contains all the high qualities that the plant breeders have bred into that variety.

Both the growing fields and the seed in the sack are inspected, and on each sack is placed a government certificate, and the sack is sealed. It takes extra care and so costs extra money to produce registered seed. The farmer should not think of the extra cost of the seed but only of the extra cost per bushel of the crop he will harvest. This will be on the average around 3 cents a bushel, bringing to the farmer, however, a return of many times the extra cost of the seed.

—V—

BARRED ROCKS IN FAVOR

Any Alberta poultryman who has a good flock of Barred Rocks is advised by the Alberta poultry commissioner to stay with them.

This breed of poultry for many years was the outstanding breed in most provinces in Canada. With the heavy demand for more eggs for Britain, Leghorns increased in number all over Canada. The last few years have also seen a heavy increase in the distribution of New Hampshire. Our dressed poultry will soon be on the export market again.

The yellow finished bird of the New Hampshire type is not in favor on the export market. The Barred Rock has been the outstanding bird for the heavier export demand. Already there is a very definite shortage of Barred Rock eggs for our hatcheries, with a resultant shortage of Barred Rock chicks to supply the demand.

Those who have good Barred Rock flocks well housed and properly managed and who will have birds available should apply for blood testing under Flock and Hatchery Approval regulations.

Barred Rock breeders will have less difficulty in disposing of hatching eggs than will owners of any other breed. Stay with them. If you have good Barred Rocks, stay with them, they are coming into their own.

—V—

Radiograms

Short Wave
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The magic of radio brings into your homes scenes, episodes, and news occurring in the remotest corners of the globe. Space just doesn't exist in radio listening.

That is why any news, or program with a local flavor thrills us to the core. Three times weekly thousands of listeners in Northern Alberta thrill at the adventures of the world famous Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Material taken out of the R.C.M.P. files is cleverly arranged into thrilling episodes which constitute the program "Men in Scarlet." Each quarter-hour broadcast is a complete story evolving around the dramatic experiences of R.C.M.P. tracking down dangerous law breakers in Canada.

An unusually large number of the stories originated in Northern Alberta, dealing with names and places well known to local radio listeners.

"Men in Scarlet" is heard over CJCA at 4:30 each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Clean an electric iron with a dry cloth. After using, let it cool and remove any starch with soap and a damp cloth. Never let water or dampness get in the iron. When not in use, keep it on a soft surface or in a box, to prevent the sole plate from being marred or scratched.

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FARM TRACTOR MAINTENANCE AND CARE

(Experimental Farm News)

During the winter months while the tractor is usually idle it is a good time to check it over and get it in 100 per cent shape for the next operating season, says J.L. Thompson, Dominion Experimental Station, Swift Current, Sask., where a special study is made of farm machines.

After the tractor has been thoroughly warmed up it should be stopped and checked for compression. This is done by turning the motor over by crank and rocking each individual cylinder compression. If all the cylinders are equal and have good compression, then the rings and valves are satisfactory. If there is a weak cylinder take out the plug and pour in a cup of oil. If the cylinder still does not hold compression, then the valves are leaking on that cylinder. The head should be taken to a good shop and reconditioned, or the whole motor, if rings leak. In most cases it is better to have major overhaul done in a shop well equipped with precision machines. While the bearings and other parts can be checked and adjusted.

The air cleaner and carburetor should be removed and thoroughly cleaned. If the float valve can be blown through, replace it. Reassemble and replace with new gaskets, making sure the air cleaner connections are tight. Check magneto points and if signs of burning are indicated, remove and take it to a good service man for checking and greasing. Spark plugs can be cleaned and checked. Replace wires if breaks are found.

Check radiator, hoses and fan belts as well as water pump. Have radiator repaired by a good radiator service man if it leaks. Replace hoses and belt if necessary. Check over the water pump and renew worn parts. Make sure that only water pump grease is used in lubricating pump. It is also good practice to use a rust preventative in the cooling system to prevent corrosion to radiator and block.

Jack up the front wheels and check bearings for end play. Check spindle and tie rod bushings. Replace if worn. New bushings usually have to be reamed to fit. Remove wheels, clean out old grease replace seals if leaking and re-pack with a wheel bearing grease. They require no further attention for at least 1,000 hours. Readjust bearings by tightening up snug and backing off one-sixth of a turn.

Raise the rear wheels and check for end play. Adjust if too loose. By rotating a rear wheel the adjustment and condition of the differential can be determined. There should only be a slight amount of free movement. Change the oil in the transmission and rear ends every 1,000 hours of operation. Use grade of oil indicated by instruction book. If transmissions or rear ends are noisy they should be overhauled in a shop equipped for such work.

In the fall or during the cleanup, the tires (if on rubber) should be washed and painted with good tire paint. This helps to preserve the rubber and prevents jacking.

During operation and before overhauling, clean the motor down with solvent. Machinery lasts longer and looks better if it is kept clean. During operation, change oil at 100 hours; grease as indicated by instruction book. The valve clearance should be checked every 200 hours of operation. If tractors are kept clean and thoroughly maintained while in the field they will last longer and give better satisfaction.

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Mr. McLean Gets Leave of Absence

Mr. J.H. McLean, Superintendent of Schools has been granted a three months' leave of absence. Mr. McLean has been in rather indifferent health and his many friends hope that a rest from his duties at the school office will put him on the road to better health. Mr. Reeves, of the Normal School, Edmonton, will be acting Superintendent during Mr. McLean's absence. —Holden Herd.

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DURING THE PRESENT WAR, and for many years preceding it, the German nation has enjoyed a reputation for outstanding ingenuity in the realm of science and invention. This reputation has been fostered by the Germans, themselves, and they have attempted, in every possible way, to spread the conviction that they are leaders in the propagation of new ideas. This has been especially true during the war, when they have constantly drawn attention to their supply of new and "secret" weapons. This has no doubt been part of their attempt to wage a "war of nerves," and it has served to build up an erroneous impression in many minds as to the real extent of German initiative along these lines. However, it has been demonstrated that German superiority in this, as in numerous other matters, has been greatly overestimated.

No Foundation For Statements

Sir James Irvine, Principal and Vice-Chancellor of St. Andrews' University, Scotland, visited Canada a short time ago. Sir James is himself a noted scientist, and in addresses delivered during his stay in this country, he dealt with the subject of Germany's self-styled leadership in this field, and showed that it was a claim which "lacked any reasonable foundation." It is conceded that the Germans have been most clever at converting ideas, borrowed from scientists of other nations, and proclaiming them to be original, but it has been demonstrated many times over that the Allied nations possess vastly superior scientific and inventive genius. For security reasons, little is known of many of the greatest discoveries of the present day, but events have already shown that from within the British Empire, the United States, Russia and other Allied nations has come the means of matching and overpowering the mighty German war machine.

Allies Proved To Be Superior

There is one great event which has proven beyond all doubt, the superiority of Allied scientific and mechanical developments. That event was the successful landing of the invasion armies in Europe last June. So many elements combined to make that gigantic undertaking possible, that no special one can be singled out for particular credit, but some facts recently made known by the British Ministry of Information show that ingenuity in dealing with many of the major difficulties, contributed much to the success of the venture. One of the greatest problems lay in getting stores and equipment ashore without damage from the sea water. For this purpose, a secret water-proofing process was used which made possible the safe landing of cargoes, without damage from water. In addition there were the great floating harbors which were installed on the French beaches, and the "Bailey Bridges," collapsible bridges, named after the British engineer who developed them. These and many other devices helped to make the invasion possible, and proved beyond doubt that leadership in science and invention does not belong to the German nation.

British Brides

"Happy Birthday" Cables Seem To Mean Something Else

A British bride who married a Canadian soldier in England and has since come to Vancouver to live with her husband's parents is still laughing about an incident in Eastern Canada. A sister whom she had not seen for years met her at the C.N.R. central station in Montreal. Immediately upon arrival, the English bride ran to the telegraph desk along with a number of other brides and all sent "Happy Birthday" cables to England.

The sister was quite puzzled and couldn't understand how so many girls could have relatives or friends with birthdays at the same time. However, she soon realized that people use the code "Happy Birthday" to mean "I arrived safely and am happy and well."

New Air Service

Five British shipping companies, with a capital backing of £20,000,000 (£90,000,000)—have formed British Latin-American Air Lines Limited to give a war air service between Britain and South America in two days, the Daily Express said.

The "Step Pyramid" of Egypt is estimated to be 6,000 years old making it the oldest large structure in the world.

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Submarine Chasing Jap Ships Has Kangaroo Mounted On Bow

Somewhere on the prow for Japanese shipping in the Pacific is a half-breed submarine with a kangaroo mounted on its bow.

The submarine is the Growler which tangled with a Japanese cruiser at close range and the cruiser rammed her. Although seriously damaged the submarine escaped to an Australian port.

In disclosing the story, Francis E. Ford, acting prime minister, said Rear Admiral Carpenter, then Southwest Pacific naval commander first thought the submarine would have to undertake a dangerous voyage to the United States for repairs. But a Brisbane shipbuilding firm undertook the job and fitted a new bow on the Growler, with a kangaroo attached for good measure and as a symbol of Australian engineering skill.

Would Keep Fresh

Apples In Cold Storage Could Be Used The Year Round

In the case of apples, cold storage plants will make it possible to keep the fruit throughout the year. They are particularly welcome in holding over McIntoshes. Under ordinary circumstances, McIntoshes have to be marketed soon after being picked and packed or they lose their flavor and become tough skinned. Put away in cold storage, however, they can be kept over until the next summer as fresh and sweet a condition as when they were packed. Nice fresh apples the following spring and summer at prices at which the housewife can afford to use them for baking as well as eating as a fruit, may thus soon be an established fact. With cold storage, there need be no gap between crops, and so thousands of barrels of additional apples could be marketed.

Ancient Greek and Roman sculptors produced many master-pieces in terra-cotta, or burnt clay.

Koreans developed movable type 50 years before Gutenberg printed the Bible.

Flying Cross Awards

Names Of Westerners Appear In The Following List

In one of the latest lists of awards announced by Air Force headquarters, the following Western airmen have been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross:

FL. J. A. Enns, son of Mr. A. P. Enns, La Salle, Manitoba.
FO. H. D. Frith, son of Mrs. Mabel, Frith, Vancouver, B.C.
FO. H. H. G. Herbert, son of Mr. J. T. Hetherington, Vancouver, B.C.
FO. R. G. Herbert, son of Mrs. Gordon D. Herbert, Kelowna, B.C.
FO. J. Kicak, son of Mrs. Mary Kicak, Winnipeg, Man.
FO. J. K. Kerr, son of Mrs. Mary G. McGillivray, Kaslo, B.C.
FO. R. J. Meek, C.G.M., son of Mr. R. H. Meek, Vancouver, B.C.
FO. W. J. Patterson, son of Mrs. May Patterson, Repulse Bay, Man.
FO. J. K. Perry, son of Mr. Melville W. Perry, Hawarden, Man.
FO. D. H. Popplestone, Pilot of Mount Meek, Kaslo, B.C.
FO. V. W. Poushinsky, son of Mrs. Nina Poushinsky, Calgary, Alta.
FO. T. H. Pringle, whose wife, Mrs. J. A. Pringle, resides in Regina, Sask.
J. P. Rennie, whose wife, Mrs. V. M. Rennie, resides at Edmonton.
FO. K. L. Schmitz, son of Mr. A. C. Schmitz, Humboldt, Sask.
FO. J. K. Sheldon, son of Mr. D. K. Sheldon, Victoria, B.C.
FO. J. H. Sinclair, whose wife, Mrs. J. N. Sinclair, resides at Vancouver.
FO. C. M. Singleton, son of Mr. M. Singleton, Saskatoon, Sask.
FO. C. M. Simpson, son of Mr. J. D. Slessor, Winnipeg, Man.
FO. R. A. Torgerson, son of Mrs. Clara Torgerson, Cheadle, Alta.
FO. T. S. Wright, son of Mr. J. W. Wright, Victoria, B.C.
PO. E. J. D. Bill, son of Mr. Percy Edward Bill, Vancouver.
PO. D. L. Brewer, son of Mr. L. D. Brewer, Vancouver. (Reported missing October 18.)

PO. J. M. Burns, whose wife Mrs. Lillian Burns, resides at Edmonton.
PO. A. W. Code, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Code, Philipp, Sask.
PO. D. Dakin, resides at Kimberley, B.C.
PO. G. Dykes of Saskatoon.
PO. L. E. Ford, son of Mr. J. H. Ford, Kelvington, Sask.
PO. C. G. Gorrie, whose wife, Mrs. F. H. Gorrie, resides at Calgary.
PO. R. T. Gray, son of Mr. Thomas Gray, Indian Head, Sask.
PO. G. F. Hartford, son of Mr. T. H. Hartford, Vancouver, B.C.
PO. L. W. Huskett, son of Mrs. Frances A. Husband, Rosario, Sask.
PO. W. T. Krantz, son of Mrs. E. A. Krantz, Wadena, Sask.
PO. E. L. Lamareux, son of Mrs. M. Emile Lamareux, Edmonton.
PO. P. E. Lisiwski, son of Mr. John Lisiwski, Gilbert Plains, Man.
PO. F. E. Michael, son of Mr. Louis Michael, Gleichen, Alta.
PO. W. H. Miller, whose wife, Mrs. W. D. Miller, Peachland, B.C.
PO. H. C. Redmond, son of Mr. W. C. Redmond, of Edmonton, Alta.
PO. K. M. Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Ross, resides at Calgary, Alta.
PO. A. M. Scott, son of Mr. G. W. Scott, of Edmonton, Alta.
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PO. R. W. Burton, son of Mrs. U. Burton, Calcutta, India.

About Calories

Number Of Calories Needed Every Day Depends On Age And Activity

With whom do your calories keep company? Are they smoky...keeping to themselves, or do they keep company with other foods which contribute such elements as iron, calcium and vitamins to the diet? The Nutrition Division, Ottawa, urges Canadians to remember the other elements as well as calories when choosing foods.

A calorie is the measuring unit for energy, just as a yard is the measuring unit for cloth, and the number of calories needed every day depend on age and activity. Growing children and physically active people need more calories than older people or those who sit at a desk all day. However, too many calories can "unbalance" anyone's diet, and add unwanted pounds.

Granulated sugar and fats add calories to the diet and very little of the health protective elements. Potatoes, or the other hand, are iron and vitamin-rich, as well as calories. Cheese is fairly high in calories but is also an excellent source of protein and calcium.

While calories are necessary for energy, the most important foods are those which along with calories contribute a share of the other daily needs. Milk, eggs, fruit, vegetables and whole grain cereals supply these needs.

An automobile uses 50 per cent less gas at 30 miles an hour than it does at 60 miles per hour.

In 1825, Sing Sing prison was made with Mount Pleasant prison.

Price Control And Rationing Information

Q.—Is there a limit to the amount of rationed commodities that may be sent overseas in parcels?

A.—The War Administration does not set a limit to the amount of sugar, preserves or butter which can be sent to a soldier, sailor or airman, provided these commodities have been lawfully acquired through the Postage Department. Regulations must be adhered to when sending overseas parcels.

Q.—Is it necessary for the stub

which is attached to each sheet of coupon in ration book 5 to be completely filled in?

A.—Consumers should remember to fill the stub attached to each sheet of coupon in your ration book. The serial number of the page of the book should be placed on one side of the stub, and the serial number of the book is placed on the reverse side.

Q.—Is it true that I may collect only one butter coupon every two weeks from my boarders?

A.—Yes. Under revised regulations managers of hotels, boarding houses and similar establishments may collect only one butter coupon every two weeks from each of his guests.

Q.—Do grocery stores have to have the price marked on their foods?

A.—Yes. All foods in display in grocery stores with the exception of food on display in windows must have the prices marked either on the food, the container or on a card displayed with the food.

Q.—It seems to me that I get a smaller butter pat in my favorite restaurant than I used to. Have restaurants been allowed to cut their services?

A.—In many cases, restaurants have been forced to cut the size of their pats because the "butter shortage" in this country is acute. After all, restaurants get less butter from now until Christmas and it is only reasonable to expect less in your province.

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Its six and four inch steel piping has double the fuel-carrying capacity of the highway itself. It has cut the perilous "over the hump" air route by almost two-thirds, relieving plane transport throughout the Burma battlefield. Even now it is delivering fuel for our Fourteenth Air Force and the B-29's of our Twentieth Force. Under full flow it will be a lifeline transshipping into China a new strength that should change the course of the war on the continent of Asia.—New York Times

Still On Top

German Radio Spokesmen Says Hitler Is Guiding History

A spokesman of the German home radio referred for the first time to foreign theories about Hitler's silence.

"Enemy and neutral papers are still agitated over the fact that the Fuehrer did not speak Nov. 9 as he always used to do," he said.

The very clear and understandable explanation that work does not permit him to leave his headquarters does not satisfy them.

"They work for mysteries and are pouring out fairies' tales. There has been a lot of mud-slinging but it will not reach Adolf Hitler who stands high above his detractors.

"Whether he talks or remains silent he will always be the centre of interest. He guides history and impresses his stamp on the age."

The "Führer" has been cultivated since ancient times.

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German Work Is Slow And Dangerous On Britain's Beaches

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Report Encouraging

Shows Health Of British People Better Than Before War

The health of the nation is better now than it was before the war, the British health ministry's report for the year ended last March 31 revealed.

An influenza epidemic in the fall of 1943 killed 30,000 persons, most of them elderly, but many other diseases claimed fewer victims, including typhoid, diphtheria, epilepsy and appendicitis.

For women deaths from tuberculosis was the lowest ever recorded but for men the number was four per cent above 1938. The birth rate was the highest in 15 years with 683,213 births recorded.



P. G. Wodehouse, creator of Jeeves

the impeccable gentleman's gentleman, is reported to be in a suburban city, where he is expected to stay until he and his wife find a new residence.

Big Thing For China

Oil Pipeline From Calcutta Will Be Longest In World

The pipeline which American Army engineers are building across 2,000 miles of jungle, river and mountain into China is probably the most effective means of aiding that hard-pressed nation which we have yet devised. When Big Inch was rushed through here at home to relieve the Atlantic Coast oil shortage we considered it a remarkable achievement. This latest link to China will not be several hundred miles longer than Big Inch but laid over territory infinitely more forbidding, under conditions just next to impossible. When completed it will be the longest pipeline in the world. Nine months ago construction was started at Calcutta, where the great tankers from the Persian Gulf roll in across the Indian Ocean. Thence it winds up the Brahmaputra Valley into the country of the Naga Hills head-hunters and over the steep Patkai range into northern Burma. There it is already discharging more oil of every variety than our fliers in that area can use. Eventually it will be carried into central Yunnan, perhaps beside the Ledo Road, which it parallels for many miles. This pipeline, however, should reach China well before the road does.

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MERRIEST PARTIES

Many Londoners Managed To Celebrate Christmas In The Subways

London's merriest Christmas parties were held in holes in the ground. In deep subway stations throughout the capital, children and parents welcomed Christmas Eve with make-shift decorations and genuine gaiety which turned the draughty, dirty platforms where they sleep every night into colorful, music-filled stretches as they shouted carols above the roar of the trains.

Several of the larger stations held organized parties. In those places, where hundreds of people seek shelter nightly from V-bombs or because they have no habitable homes, the borough councils and charitable organizations did their best to help things along.

In Holborn station a tree swayed in the rush of air from passing trains and piled around the foot were heaps of presents. The tags read "Pour mes Petits Amis Anglais." The presents were from the children of liberated Belgium "for my little English friends."

There was a Santa Claus too, calling out presents for children in a voice which indicated that in his spare time he was a station guard.

That didn't make any difference to kids like Anne, Mary, Jimmies and the little fellow who corrected St. Nick by saying "my name's Butch, see?" They just grabbed dolls, carts and games which most of them had never seen before in their war-filled lives and shrieked at the top of their voices.

There were concerts as well. For weeks the grown-ups had practised and gave the show after the presents had been presented.

Has A History

Sault Ste. Marie Claims To Be 274 Years Old

Once in a while the suggestion is made that the city of "Sault Ste. Marie" should change its name. But quite apart from the fact that the name has a background of 274 years of history, having first appeared on Joliet's map in 1673, it is difficult to think of a more appropriate name.

For down through the years the life of the community has centred around the Sault Ste. Marie's Rapids—the Sault Ste. Marie.

Long before the white man came, this was a gathering place for the Ojibway Indians, who came here to catch in the rapids the whitefish the fine flavor of which has been famous ever since the first written records of this section were compiled.

Sault Ste. Marie is not only the oldest place name in the Province of Ontario, but it embodies the whole basis of our civic life—Sault Ste. Marie Star.

Archery As Spare Time Recreation



DE HAVILLAND'S CONNIE DEAN

Aircraft workers assembling the world's fastest fighter-bomber at de Havilland Aircraft of Canada have developed what for them is a new way of relieving tension in off hours—archery. Through the recreation club at the plant, scores of workers who help to turn out the famous Mosquito, have enrolled for target practice on a range set up near the plant.

Membership is increasing rapidly in a sport which has grown to the stage where 35,000 men and women take part in Canada alone.

The aircraft workers who find so much precision demanded in their

work find archery a good sport for developing co-ordination of eye, muscles and mind.

One of the most enthusiastic fans at de Havilland is Connie Dean of the plant's traffic department. When her picture appeared in *The Mosquito*, the workers' newspaper, it carried the following caption: "In the year 1947, William Tell, hero of Swiss legend, was sentenced to death for refusing to reverence to the Ducal hat of Austria; unless he shot an apple from his son's head. In the year 1944, 537 years later, Connie Dean of D-H Traffic Dept. was sentenced to pose for the above photo."

Daring Guerrilla

Girl Awarded Title Of Hero Of The Soviet

Anna Mosil'skaya, one of the most daring guerrillas of Byelorussia, has been awarded the title of Hero of the Soviet Union. Among her many brave exploits was the dynamiting of a German garrison. Learning that a conference of officers had been called in a certain city to discuss ways and means of wiping out her guerrilla detachment, Anna went alone to the city and when the debate was at its height exploded a mine under the building, settling the argument.—U.S.R. Bulletin.

Old Vessel That Has Travelled The High Seas Pounded On Jagged Rocks

A stout old Victoria, B.C., barge could tell many tales of the high seas ended her career almost within sight of the spot where she was launched 24 years ago as a trim four-masted wooden barkentine. She was the S. F. Tolmie, reduced to splintered timbers by a howling southeast gale, battering waves and the jagged rocks of Macaulay Point.

Last log-carrying barge on the Pacific Coast the 1,612-ton Tolmie was launched at the old Cholberg shipyard in 1920, and carried cargoes to Japan, Australia and the South Sea islands before being converted into a floating herring saltery and later a barge.

GLOOMY PROSPECT

It now seems doubtful that Vancouver will ever see the restoration of its fleet of trans-Pacific passenger liners. The air-borne fuselage will try to displace the costly sea-going hull just as the steamer banished the sailing ship.—Vancouver Sun.

Marine insurance is believed to have had an earlier origin than life insurance

Ship's Paper

Publication Of The Only Sea-Going Daily In North Atlantic

Crew members of the Castle class corvette H.M.C.S. Orangerville have laid proud claim to publication of "the only seagoing daily in the North Atlantic". Their sheet is called "Etching in Salt" and its breezy reports of messdeck doings have made it almost as popular as the daily issue of grog.

Coder Frank Galvon, of Blairmore, Alta., and Surgeon Lieut. Peter Playfair, of Ottawa, are the moving spirits of the paper. Each morning at sea, the 21-year-old Galvon tunes into the BBC news and makes a digest of world events for "Etchings". Then two other raters, Tel. Chris McGregor, of Vancouver, and S.B.A. Ed. Stiles, of Toronto chip in with the latest buzzes and gossip from the messdecks. Promptly at 10:30 the paper is run off on a ditto machine and distributed throughout the ship.

None of the publishers has had professional experience, although Galvon worked on a club paper in Blairmore and Stiles on a Bible class publication in Toronto. Surgeon Lieut. Playfair does the job "just for the fun of it". At 23, he believed to be the youngest medical officer in the Canadian Navy. He finished a six-year medical course at Queen's when he was 21.

All Were Wrong

High Officials Expressed Opinion War Would End Last Year

Prime Minister Churchill has not been alone in his once-optimistic appraisal of the course of the struggle. General Eisenhower announced that he hoped to see the end of the European war in 1944; General Marshall expressed the opinion that the war in the European theatre would terminate by December 7, the anniversary of Pearl Harbor. General MacArthur has long been over-optimistic in his communiques, and General Arnold's air forces have many times "destroyed" the economy of the German Reich—Brantford Examiner.

The Hawaiian Islands were formed by lava shooting up from a crack in the bottom of the ocean three miles down.

Aircraft Rivetting Champs



MURIEL MARSHALL

EVELYN BRAILLSFORD

Officials at the plant of Boeing Aircraft of Canada Ltd., at Victoria, B.C., believe that Muriel Marshall and Evelyn Braillsford are Canada's aircraft riveting champions.

"Blind bucking" and bucking in small spaces where manipulation of rivet bars is difficult is a big part of the job of building float braces for Catalina long range flying boats. Most of the time the rivet is out of sight of the buckler and frequently is almost inaccessible.

However, on a test run of 14 minutes and 15 seconds these top-notch rivet girls drove and bucked 299 perfect rivets in an eight-hour shift, recently, and every one perfect.

For a period of one week a complete tally was kept of the rivets driven by Muriel and Evelyn. During that time the girls averaged almost 700 perfect rivets per hour of riveting time. In this type of work the riveters must do their own placing of skins, reaming of holes, waterproofing and painting of inside rivet heads. Consequently, they do not rivet steadily all day. Also much time is lost for inspections which are made as the work progresses.

The team is capable of sustained riveting at high rates of speed because both Muriel and Evelyn are equally efficient with gun or bucking bar and change off and on during the shift. The girls are so good at their work that sometimes weeks pass without a rivet being "marked" by an inspector.

These girls are as good at riveting that another girl has been added to the team to do the reaming, hanging of skins and applying of a waterproofing ahead of the riveters. This will give them an opportunity of driving even more rivets every day. Evelyn Braillsford is blond and a bit over five foot four. She was born in Alberta and before going to Victoria was waitress at Jasper and Prince George. She has a brother and eleven other relatives on active service and her boy friend is overseas in the air force.

Muriel Marshall is five foot five and has reddish-brown hair. She is a native Victorian and previously worked for a photographic finishing firm. Her one brother, Albert, served three and half years with the Royal Canadian Navy and was in the "Bismarck" till. He lost his life in the sinking of the Caribou between Cape Breton Island and Newfoundland.

AFFAIRS IN JAPAN

Six Families Have Complete Power Over Industry And Business

Six families control affairs in Japan. These six families exercise almost complete power over industry and business. These six Japanese families are not so sure they like the way the war is going. Now that American warplanes are getting in some heavy hits against Tokyo and other Japanese industrial centres, some of the Japanese industrial leaders are thinking of their beautiful factories being battered to dust and rubble. They can see their factories vanishing in the smoke of bomb burst. They shudder from two causes: the thought of losing their factories and the thought of losing their lives.

Throwing Away Money

Coins Are Used For Shrapnel In Enemy Shells

Men who take apart old enemy shells picked up a lot of loose change in Holland. Instead of jagged pieces of shrapnel, they found that one unexploded shell contained silver and nickel Netherlands coins. The newspaper Nijmeegsch Dagblad said presumably metal supplied had run short at the factory that turned out the shell and coins were used instead, without smelting them into the form of shrapnel.

GOES ON FOREVER

The favorite soup of French peasants and pot-au-feu is a dish that goes on forever. It is kept on the stove and cooked for years, with the women just adding leftovers to the pot and keeping it cooking.

IT ALWAYS HAPPENS

It is a bit ironical, isn't it, that Winston Churchill who probably has done more than any other single living man to save democracy, should now be attacked in certain circles as "an enemy of democracy," says the Sault Daily Star.

OF IRISH ORIGIN

Captain Boycott, a land agent in Ireland, treated his tenants with such severity that they retaliated by refusing to work for him and allowing no one else to do so. This incident, in 1881, was the origination of the word "boycott".

LOCALS

Misses Marion and Mildred Carrington spent the Christmas and New Year holidays at the home of their sister Mrs. Neil McMillan.

The Irma High School Boys won out in a game of hockey at Wainwright on Sat. Jan. 6, score 5-2.

The Irma High School Students are now occupying the new room in the school.

The annual meeting of the rate-payers of the Village of Irma will be held in the Village office on Friday Jan. 26th at 8 P.M.

Mrs. A. C. Milne was away to Coronation, Alberta, over last week-end attending the funeral of Mr. Milne's mother who passed away suddenly last week.

At the December meeting of the L.O.B.A. it was decided not to run a series of card parties this winter, but instead to sponsor two dances in Kiefer's hall, the first to be held on or around the last day of January and the second as near the anniversary of the lodge as possible, March 19th. Watch for further notices.

Mr. M. D. Askin spent Christmas and the New Year's holiday with his son and Captain and Mrs. Thomas Askin at Saskatoon, Sask.

Mrs. Carl Sonneff won the trophy rafted by the High School hockey team before Christmas. This was a particularly lucky win Irma when her daughters are attending school.

The annual Church Meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 15th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Taggett at Wainwright.

The W.A. of St. Mary's will also to Wainwright for Christmas with hold their Annual Meeting on Monday, Jan. 15th at 2:30 p.m. place art of meeting to be announced later.

Bryan Taggett who is attending school in Calgary spent the holida season with his parents at Irma. A large crowd attended.

Mrs. H.L. Black had a visit from her sister over the New Year week end.

William Blaede was home from Fort Norman for Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. L. Hagener.

Mr. S.C. Johnston left for Ingelheart, Ont. on Jan. 2nd after receiving a telegram telling him of his mother's death.

Among those we noticed home for Christmas from Edmonton were, Misses Jacqueline Tate, Francis Barge, Edna Jones, Ruth Reeds, Lois Longmire, Ethel Arnold and Mildred Hill.

Hannie Elford completed his Normal school course before Christmas and now is teaching at the Fabian school.

Allison Carter was home from Edmonton for Christmas and Boxing day.

Miss Ada Currie was home from Viking for Christmas with her parents and friends.

Misses Dorothy and Mary Currie who are teaching in northern Alberta were home for the holidays.

Miss Olive Larson visited friends in Irma and district during the holidays.

Miss Vera Simmerman has gone to Edmonton to commence her Normal School Course. Mis. Simmerman accompanied her.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher and Jack spent Christmas in Edmonton with Mrs. Fletcher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Berg.

Mr. and Mrs. P.J. Hardy of Edmonton spent the Christmas week end at the Hill farm. Mrs. A. Greenberg and sister Cecile Shaw accompanied them to Irma where they enjoyed the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McFarland.

Ross McFarland, Jr. was home from Calgary through the holiday season.

Mr. Jack Peterson of Calgary paid a brief visit to Irma at Christmas time.

Mrs. Watkinson and Mr. and Mr. Ott and family spent Christmas at Wainwright with friends and relatives.

Mr. Wm. Walker and son Charlie motored to Irma from Carstairs, for a visit with relatives recently. ... Mr. Jack Bishop visited relatives at Clyde, Alta. at New Years time. ... Mrs. P. Quinlan and family moved to Edmonton during the holidays.

Mr. H. Vinjerd came from the U.S.A. to spend Christmas with his wife at Wainwright.

Miss Helen McDowell and Mrs. Vinjerd of Wainwright visited in Irma recently.

Mr. Jack Stead was home for the holidays from his school at Foremost, Alta.

Miss Isabell Fusko has accepted a position with the Wainwright School Division as Supervisor at the Willow View School, where correspondence courses are taken.

Mrs. Helen Pendleton has returned to her work at Edmonton. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Oberl A. Lovig at the Wainwright Hospital on Boxing Day - a daughter.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Bert Long on Thursday, Jan. 11th at the usual hour. All ladies cordially invited.

Mr. Charles Coffin was able to come home from the hospital before Christmas.

Patrons of the Sunburst Bus Co. please take notice that the Edmonton-Wainwright bus will run every Sunday until further notice but will not run on Wednesdays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Simmermon and family motored to Kinsella for Christmas with the Simmon's family.

Miss Kathleen Jones of Wainwright was home with her folks for Christmas and New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. M. McCune spent Christmas at Killam with their parents.

Mrs. B. H. Hadlow and children of Edmonton visited her father and other relatives during the holidays. Mr. Hadlow spent Xmas day with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Stilman and family moved away from Irma this week.

Mrs. J.M. Meyer has moved into the home of Mrs. M. Mikkelson with her daughters, including who was home from Three Hills Alta. spent Christmas with an older daughter at Wainwright.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stewart went to Wainwright for Christmas with their Annual Meeting on Monday, Jan. 15th at 2:30 p.m. place art of meeting to be announced later.

The Irma Victory Cigarette school in Calgary spent the holida season with his parents at Irma. A large crowd attended.

Mrs. Betty Locke and daughter arrived back home from Vancouver, before Christmas.

Although somewhat late we take great pleasure in announcing that Mr. and Mrs. B.H. Chesters (nee Rena Fenton) of Regina Sask. are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a daughter, "Nancy Mae" on Dec 2nd 1944.

Mrs. M. M. Tripp spent Christmas in Edmonton with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Feero and children spent the holidays with relatives at Esteville, Alta.

ANNOUNCE NEW RATION CHECK-UP

of the flow of coupons and rationing regulations are announced by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

Designed to facilitate check-up of the flow of coupons and ration documents all the way from consumer to producer, the new regulations require all persons handling gummed sheets of coupons to endorse them.

Authority of the Ration Administration to investigate any time with out notice the records of any dealer is reiterated and legal obligation of all coupon users under the requisite number of valid coupons or other appropriate documents for rationed goods, stressed.

V FOR SALE

1935, 2-ton v8 truck, new engine good tires or will trade for cattle.

Steve Pasztor, Irma.

2t.

FOUNDED

A pair of flat keys on ring, no name or number.

Owner apply E. W. Carter, Irma.

1c

FOR SALE

A quantity of oat straw. Apply W. R. Dawson, Irma.

12c

FOR SALE

Berkshire boar pigs, two months old with registration papers.

O. C. Lovig, Irma.

12-26p

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JACK BENNY

is back 5 p.m.

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